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**Applicant: Bianchi, et al.**

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## **For: "CERVICAL TAPERED DOWEL"**

**Group Art Unit: 3732**

**Examiner:** Pedro Philogene

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114  
AND AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of 01/19/06 (the “Official Action”), for which a response was due 04/19/06, now extended three (3) months until 07/19/06, Applicants hereby request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, and further respond as follows:

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